



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL DENNIS G. LUCAS



Brigadier General Dennis G. Lucas is the Assistant Adjutant General, Air, for the California Air National Guard. He serves as a principal military assistant and advisor to The Adjutant General for Air National Guard (ANG) matters in the state of California.

In 1971, General Lucas graduated from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas. After graduating from Undergraduate Navigator Training at Mather AFB, California, he continued training in the F-4E at Homestead AFB, Florida. Upon completion of F-4 training he was assigned to Korat Royal Thai Air Base, Thailand, where he flew combat missions during the Vietnam War. He also completed flying assignments in England and the United States.

General Lucas joined the California Air National Guard in 1980 where he held a variety of positions including the Chief of Standardization and Evaluation. In 1987, he transferred to the State Headquarters holding positions as the Education and Training Officer, and Executive Officer. In 1999, he was assigned as the Director of Command, Control, Communications and Computers, and in 2000, General Lucas was assigned as the Assistant Adjutant General, Air, for the California Air National Guard. General Lucas is a Master Navigator with more than 2,400 hours, including 130 combat missions in the F-4 in Southeast Asia.

EDUCATION:

- 1970 Bachelor of Science degree in Biology, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA
- 1975 Squadron Officers School, by correspondence
- 1976 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 1979 Master's degree in public administration, Golden Gate University, San Francisco, CA
- 1989 Air War College, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. March 1971 - January 1972, student, undergraduate navigator training, Mather AFB, CA

2. March 1972 – September 1972, student, F-4E combat crew training, 309th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Homestead Air Force Base, FL
3. October 1972 - October 1973, F-4E Weapon Systems Officer (WSO), Fast FAC, 34th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Korat Royal Thai Air Base, Thailand
4. November 1973 - July 1975, F-4D WSO/IWSO, 493 and 494th Tactical Fighter Squadrons, RAF Lakenheath, England
5. July 1975 - November 1976, F-4D Flight Examiner (FE)/ IWSO, 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, England
6. November 1976 - April 1980, F-4C/D/E/F FE/IWSO, 35th Tactical Fighter Wing, George Air Force Base, CA
7. April 1980 - May 1980, USAF Reserve Officer (Inactive), ARPC, Denver, CO
8. May 1980 - October 1982, Recce Duty Officer, Air Support Operations Center (ASOC), and F-4C FE/IWSO, 163rd Tactical Air Support Group, Ontario ANG Base, CA
9. October 1982 - June 1987, Chief of Stan/Evaluation, 163rd Tactical Fighter Group, March Air Force Base, CA
10. June 1987 - June 1994, Education and Training Officer, Headquarters California Air National Guard, Sacramento, CA
11. June 1994 – September 1999, Executive Officer, Headquarters California Air National Guard, Sacramento, CA
12. September 1999 - June 2000, Director, Command, Control, Communications and Computers, Headquarters California Air National Guard, Sacramento, CA
13. June 2000 - Present, Assistant Adjutant General, Air, Headquarters California Air National Guard, Sacramento, CA

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Master Navigator
Flight hours: More than 2,400 including 130 combat missions
Aircraft flown: T-29, F-4C, D, E, F

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Distinguished Flying Cross with two devices
Meritorious Service Medal with one device
Air Medal with nine devices
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with two devices
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with four devices
Combat Readiness Medal with three devices
National Defense Service Medal with one device
Vietnam Service Medal with one device

Humanitarian Service Medal with one device
Air Force Overseas Ribbon (Short Tour)
Air Force Overseas Ribbon (Long Tour)
Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with six devices
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one device
Small Arms Marksmanship Ribbon
Air Force Training Ribbon
Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal
California Medal of Merit
California Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant Mar 16, 1971
First Lieutenant Mar 16, 1974
Captain Mar 16, 1976
Major Nov 1, 1984
Lieutenant Colonel Nov 1, 1988
Colonel Jun 24, 1994
Brigadier General May 24, 2001

(Current as of June 2001)